



SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY ~ YEAR C

APRIL 27, 2025



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Divine Infant Parish, are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament. In the spirit of faith, service, and community, we strive to bring everyone closer together and closer to God.

This we accomplish by:

- *Shaping our lives in the image of Christ through worship and prayer.*
- *Contributing to the growth of our parish by being faithful stewards of the Gospel by word, witness, action and evangelization.*
- *Lending support to the parish leadership and working together to fulfill the mission.*

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	(meet 1 st Tuesday each month)	
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Infant Baptisms Please call the parish office to set up a meeting with one of our priests to begin the process for baptisms.

Marriage Preparation

Deacon Mike and Josiane Seguin 613-824-6822 ext 221

At least six months notice required. No date can be set until a meeting with the couple has taken place.

Adult Sacramental Preparation (RCIA)

Deacon Jeff Le Bane 613-834-5039

Deacon Jim Schultz 613-845-0027

For adults seeking baptism or full communion with the Roman Catholic Church or adult Catholics seeking Confirmation. Meetings are weekly on Wednesday nights. We are always open to new inquiries.

School Age Sacramental Preparation

Nathalie Desjardins 613-824-6822 x229

For ALL (both Catholic school and public school) baptized Catholic children. The parish registration for reception of the Sacraments of First Communion (grade 2) and Confirmation (grade 6 +) is available on our parish website (<http://www.divineinfant.on.ca/>).

Anointing of the Sick

Are you or someone you know in need of this sacrament of healing? Anyone who has been diagnosed with a severe illness, is going for surgery or has reached old age is eligible to receive this sacrament. Please call the parish office or speak to a priest.

St. Matthew High School	837-3161
St. Peter High School	837-9377
Convent Glen Catholic School	824-8541
Divine Infant School	824-1060
Our Lady of Wisdom School	824-9700
St. Clare School	834-6334
St. Francis of Assisi School	830-3215
St. Theresa School	837-4114



Dear Friends in Christ,

As you know, this year, the joy of Easter Octave and the celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy coincides with the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Let me share with you a few quotes taken from the Pope's reflection on the mystery of the Divine Mercy.

Peace be with you! These are the words of the risen Jesus as he encounters every human weakness and error. In them, we will discover different aspects of God's mercy towards us. Those words first give joy, then grant forgiveness and finally offer comfort in every difficulty.

God's mercy gives joy, a special joy, the joy of knowing that we have been freely forgiven. When, on the evening of Easter, the disciples see Jesus and hear him say for the first time, "Peace be with you", they rejoice (v. 20). They were locked behind closed doors out of fear; but they were also closed in on themselves, burdened by a sense of failure. Fear prevailed and they committed the great sin: they left Jesus alone at his most tragic hour. In this climate, they hear for the first time, "Peace be with you!" The disciples ought to have felt shame, yet they rejoice. Why? Because seeing his face and hearing his greeting turned their attention away from themselves and towards Jesus. That is the joy Jesus brings. It is the joy that we too feel whenever we experience his forgiveness. We ourselves know what those disciples were feeling on Easter, because of our own lapses, sins and failures. At such times, we may think that nothing can be done. Yet that is precisely when the Lord does everything.

Peace be with you! and He adds, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (v. 22). He then gives the disciples the Holy Spirit to make them agents of reconciliation: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them" (v. 23). Not only do the disciples receive mercy; they become dispensers of the mercy that they themselves received. You must be channels of that forgiveness through your own experience of being forgiven. "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them". These words stand at the origin of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, but not only. Jesus has made the entire Church a community that dispenses mercy, a sign and instrument of reconciliation for all humanity. Brothers and sisters, each of us, in baptism, received the gift of the Holy Spirit to be a man or woman of reconciliation. Whenever we experience the joy of being set free from the burden of our sins and failings; whenever we know firsthand what it means to be reborn after a situation that appeared hopeless, we feel the need to share with those around us the bread of mercy.

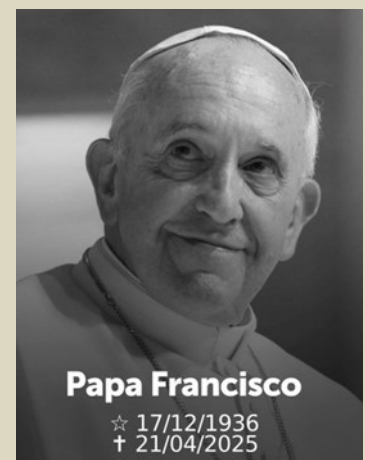
Brothers and Sisters,

As we mourn the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, let us pray that he, called to the heavenly kingdom by the Lord, may rejoice forever at the banquet table of heaven.

Eternal rest grant unto him o Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Amen.

May he rest in eternal peace. Amen.



In Christ,
Fr. Waldemar Podlasz SDS



A Catholic Women's League led mission on behalf of Divine Infant Parish, Orleans ON

The Fourth Beatitude:

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."
Presented by The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

WEEK 7 CHALLENGE ~ BLESSINGS RECEIVED & CLOSING PRAYER

Reflect on the blessings you have received in living the fourth Beatitude, *"Blessed those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled"*. How has God helped you to identify your hunger and thirst for His right ways, and helped you to be fulfilled through prayer, reflection and deeds? Thank God for teaching you His ways and assisting you to be righteous in your thoughts and actions.

Prayer for all Things Necessary to Salvation

*I BELIEVE Lord,
 But may I believe more firmly
 I hope, but may I hope more securely.
 I love, but may I love more ardently.
 I grieve, but may I grieve more deeply.
 I adore you as my first beginning.
 I aspire after you as my last end.
 I praise you as my perpetual benefactor.
 I invoke you as my merciful protector.
 Direct me by Your wisdom.
 Keep me in your grace.
 Console me with your mercy.
 Protect me with your power.
 I offer you, O Lord, my thoughts, that they may be about you;
 my words, that they may be spoken for your glory;
 my actions, that they may accord with Your will;
 my sufferings, that they may be accepted for Your sake.
 I desire whatever You desire. I desire it because You desire it.
 I desire it insofar as You desire it.
 I desire it as long as You desire it.
 I pray, O Lord, that you will enlighten my mind, inflame my will,
 cleanse my heart, and sanctify my soul.
 May I repent of past sins, repel future temptations, correct wicked tendencies, and
 cultivate virtuous ideals.
 Good Lord, grant that I may love you, renounce myself, do good to my neighbour, and
 be detached toward the world.
 May I strive to obey my superiors, support my inferiors, aid my friends, and spare my
 enemies.
 Help me to overcome sensuality by self-denial, avarice by liberality, anger by
 meekness, and tepidity by devotion.
 Make me prudent in counsel, steadfast in danger, patient in adversity, and humble in
 prosperity.
 Grant Lord that I may be attentive at prayer, temperate at meals, diligent at work, and constant in resolutions.
 Let my conscience be upright, my out-ward appearance be modest, my conversation be edifying, and my whole life be ordered.
 Help me to labor to overcome nature, to cooperate with your grace, to keep your commandments, and to further my salvation.
 Teach me the futility of earthly things, the greatness of divine things, the shortness of temporal things, and the length of eternal things.
 Grant that I may be prepared for death, fear judgment, avoid hell, and obtain paradise ----- through Christ our Lord.
 Pope Clement XI (1649-1721),
 (From: Minute Meditations for Each Day, By Rev. Bede Naegele, OCD Catholic Book Publishing Corp).*



INTENTIONS FOR April 26 ~ May 4 2025

CONFESSIONS
Saturday and Sunday:
4:15 - 4:45pm
Weekdays: 1/2 hr before Mass
Or by appt.

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

Saturday, April 26

5:00 pm †Lou Charron by Elizabeth & Steve Rollwage
†Patricia Featherstone by John Harder & family
†Major Lloyd Allan West by Maureen & Martin Corcoran
†Deceased & living members of the Chan-Heuthorst family
-Intentions of Adele Kerluke by her family

Sunday, April 27 8:00 am †Elske Delaney by the Delaney family

†Theresa White by Jennifer Goldstone
†Bob Ryan by Paul & Patricia Duford
†Glennis Easy by Harold & Linda Buccino
†Shirley and Tat Ng by Elaine Armstrong

9:30 am †Rosa & Ben Ho by Ho family

11:15 am - For all Divine Infant parishioners

1:45 pm - Confessions

2:30 pm - Divine Mercy Devotion

5:00 am †David & Sue Humphries by Elaine Armstrong

Monday, April 28

7:00 pm †Frances McKinnon by Linda & Harold Epton

Tuesday, April 29 *St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin*

7:00 pm - Intentions of the Catholic Women's League & their families

Wednesday, April 30 *St. Marie de L'Incarnation, Religious*

9:00 am †Deceased members of the Truong-Thai families

9:30 am - Holy hour with Benediction

Thursday, May 1

9:00 am †Joseph Thai Van At by the Truong-Thai family

Friday, May 2 *First Friday St. Athanasius, Bishop*

9:00 am †Ann Senay

9:30 am - Holy hour with Benediction

Saturday, May 3 *First Saturday St. Philip & St. James, Apostles*

9:00 am †Rock Saumure

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, May 3

5:00 pm †David Robertson by Doreen Robertson

Sunday, May 4

8:00 am †Pascual Esguerra (14th anniv) by Laida

9:30 am †Eleana Mastromatteo (5th anniv) by her family

†Kyle James Aubrecht by Our Lady of Wisdom School Staff

†Deceased members of the Ortori family

†Deceased, past and current clients of the DI Pastoral Care Ministry

-Intentions of Stefania for God's blessings on her birthday

11:15 am †Jan Augustowski by Stan Siok

†Ann Marie Costello by Jeanette & Richard Primeau

-Intentions of Noah Holder on his birthday by Oma, Mary Michel

-Intentions of Deacon Jim & Merlie Schultz on their wedding anniversary

-Intentions of Fanchea Keenan by Nuala & Jeff Linton

5:00 pm - For all Divine Infant parishioners

Difficulty hearing? Tune your radio to 98.5FM and use ear phones to hear directly from our amplifier.

THE MOMENTUM CATHOLIC SINGLE MOTHER'S GROUP

The Momentum Catholic Single Mothers group is holding a luncheon on May 10th, 1-3pm, in the parish hall. If you are a single mother, or know someone who is, and are seeking spiritual accompaniment in this vibrant faith community. To register please visit: www.momentummothers.org



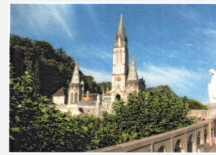
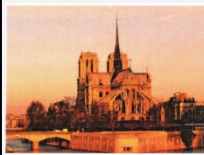
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MASS OF REQUIEM FOR POPE FRANCIS

To all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall, You are all invited to the requiem Mass for our Holy Father, which will be presided over by our Archbishop:

Date: Thursday, May 1, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Saint-François-d'Assise Parish (20 Fairmont Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario K1Y 2K2)

Parking at the parish is limited. It is strongly suggested that you park on neighbouring streets or carpool.

Please visit our Archdiocese website to read about Pope Francis, <https://ottawacornwall.ca/news/passing-of-pope-francis/>



HONORING POPE FRANCIS

Capital and Kelly Funeral Homes have created a Memorial Book in honour of the memory and legacy of Pope Francis. Parishioners are invited to sign this book which is on the table in the foyer of the church. This book will be collected for presentation.



RELIGIOUS ARTICLE SALE

There will be a sale of religious articles on the weekend, May 3rd & 4th following Masses (except the 5:00 pm Mass on Sunday). Debit will be available at the Sunday morning Masses.



Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are sick...

Irene SCHNARE, Jean-Luc St-Amour, Aurel GOUR, Ron McGEE, Tye PAEZER, Jean EAGLES, Lillian LANE, Olivia TRAFICANTI, Carolyn SPADONI, Johnny FERGUSON, Bill GRIMSHAW, Nkem NWAINE, Gilles, Hudson Guy BOIVIN, Bruno ROMANO, Vera QUINN, Paula FLETCHER, Rachel McGEE, Sarah WARD, Jeff TOOLE, Ali HEERINGA, Brandon PEEL, Danielle TOURANGEAU, Lissa ROBINSON, Casey LALONDE, Nancy ROBINSON, Frances CHICOT, Linda POTVIN, Bertha FONSEKA, Johanna BUCHANAN, Blake BURDIS, Jurica BALEN, Ron REYNOLDS, Lucas, Stephen HOLT, Frank DaCOSTA, Emily CORCORAN, Marie-Madeline BEASON, Ida CARBONI, Beverley DONOGHUE, Gianni BALESTRA, Jody KISH, Ethan LAVICTOIRE, Elizabeth TOBIN, Derek PERABO, Fiorello QUARIN, Joan HURRY, Zikora OHANYERE, Rene TROTTIER, Les MISE, Elliott RODRIGUE, Yolande, Anne ESSIAMBRE, Kelly TREPANIER, Karen PRITCHARD, the Residents of the Promenade, Queenswood Villa, Forest Valley Terrace and Symphony Senior Living and those whose names are entered in our Book of the Sick.



MARCH FOR LIFE ~ MAY 8, 2025

10:00am ~ PRO-LIFE MASS at

- St. Patrick's Basilica
- Notre Dame Cathedral (Bilingual)
- St. Clement Parish (Latin)



12:30pm ~ RALLY ON PARLIAMENT HILL

6:30pm ~ ROSE DINNER at

Ottawa Conference & Events Centre
(200 Coventry Rd.)

- Adult Rose Dinner - \$150
- Youth 18 years & younger - \$75

For tickets, please call Campaign Life Coalition Ottawa at (613) 729-0379.

For the full week schedule, please visit the link <https://marchforlife.ca/>

NOTE: Unfortunately, this year our parish will not be offering a bus ride to and from the March for Life.



SPIRITUAL ADOPTION MONTH ONE

Your spiritually adopted Developing Baby

Baby has been quite active over the past month. Already your Baby is 10,000 times bigger than at conception. Your Baby has developed the foundations of her brain, spinal cord, and nervous system by day 20. Her heart began to beat on the 21st day, pumping blood through its own circulatory system and the blood type can be different from his Mother's. Your Baby is most vulnerable during the next month of being aborted. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of her Mother to give him the most precious gift of all—the gift of Life. If you missed the start of the adoption program you can pick up a card from the ProLife/Respect for Life bulletin board in the foyer of the church.



BUNDLE SUNDAY

May 3 & 4



Donate your gently used or new clothing, and small appliances (not furniture) to the St. Vincent De Paul Truck in the church parking lot.



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Young Adult Group

Next Meeting: April 29th
at 6:00 am

The Topic: "Easter Joy"

Adoration, talk, breakfast

18-29 yrs
Divine Infant Parish
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MOTHER'S DAY GRIEF

When a mother dies, when a child dies, it makes for a hard Mother's Day. Renowned grief specialist and author, David Kessler is offering a free on line series. He worked with Elisabeth Kubler Ross and his book, *"The Needs of the Dying"*, received praise from Mother Teresa.

On May 3rd the topic is *"When You're Grieving Your Mother"*.

On May 4th the topic is *"When You're A Mother Grieving A Child"*.

Both series will be recorded. Those registered will be sent a replay.

To register please visit:

<https://www.davidkesslertraining.com/mothers-day>

If you need more help contact Diane at 613-614-0980.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTION

On the Feast of Divine Mercy, Sunday, April 27th,

1. Confessions will be available starting at 1:45pm. Our Lord's promise is to grant complete forgiveness of sins and punishment to those who go to Confession and receive Holy Communion.
2. This Jubilee year we will have two Processions and two special Devotions starting at 2:30 pm: to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Divine Mercy.

Thanks to our local council of the Knights of Columbus, we are fortunate to have a traveling pilgrim icon depicting the most famous image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus that bears the blessing of Pope Francis, for veneration. There will be a public recitation of the Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The alliance of the devotion to the Sacred Heart and the Divine Mercy is inseparable and reminds us of God's merciful love for us. It is meant to inspire our love in return for Christ, and to overflow with love to others.

The afternoon devotions will include the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy as well as special prayers with a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, the Divine Mercy Image and first-class relics.



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